Showing liabilities by M/s. Merind and M/s. Glaxo

2248. SHRI BEKAL UTSAHI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer the answer to Unstarred Question 3113 given in the Rajya Sabha on 19th December, 1991 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that M/s. Merind and M/s. Glaxo who have shown a liability of Rs. 35.72 crores as part liability in their annual reports are yet to pay these amounts into DPEA;

(b) whether it is a fact that they have saved tax in crores by showing this liability in the balance sheet;

(c) whether it is a fact that these companies have manipulated their balance sheets and generated black money also;

(d) what steps have been taken to investigate the matter and recover the amounts due from them;

(e) whether it is a fact that Government are receiving their balance sheets; and

(f) if so, what is the position in respect of due amount towards DPEA during the last three years, year-wise indicated in the balance sheet of each of these companies?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) A copy of the Question has been forwarded to Ministry of Finance for appropriate action.

(e) and (f) The position in respect of amount due into DPEA during the last three years, year-wise indicated in the balance sheet of M/s. Glaxo and M/s. Merind is as follows:—

(Rupees/lakhs)

Year	Glaxo	Merind
1988-89	1111.75	Nil
1989-90	408.63	Nil
1990-91	408.63	Nil

Price rise in formulations

2249. SHRI ASHOK NATH VERMA:

SHRI H. HANUMANTHAPPA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that after taking over by the new Government the prices have risen by 50 per cent;

(b) whether it is a fact that the prices are going to rise further on account of involvement of the bureaucrats;

(c) whether it is a fact that in a number of cases increases in prices are fake and not genuine;

(d) what steps has been taken to eliminate fake price increases to give relief to the common man; and

(e) what are the names of formulations whose prices have gone up by more than 50 per cent after April, 1991, earlier and present price of each and percentage of increase?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN): (a) and (e) It is not correct as far as price controlled formulations under the Third Schedule of DPCO 1987 are concerned. However, in case of formulations outside price control, the increase of this order has taken place in some cases specially where these have been imported in finished form or where the import content is high.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) and (d) The prices of scheduled formulations are fixed in accordance with the provision of DPCO, 1987, as per a formula and on the basis of fixed norms and after obtaining the recommendations of the BICP which is an expert body of the

Government on Industrial Costs and Prices. In the case of formulations outside price control, as and when any unreasonable price increase is noticed, Government intervenes to bring it to a reasonable level. This arrangement, by and large, ensures that the price increases allowed are related to actual increase in the input costs.

Bulk drugs prices

2250. SHRI ASHOK NATH VERMA:

SHRI H. HANUMANTHAPPA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 3114 given in Rajya Sabha on the 19th December, 1991 and state:

(a) what are the bulk drugs prices of which were reduced in 1990-91 and 1991-92 and what were their earlier prices and revised prices;

(b) what are the names of those bulk drugs based on which the formulation prices have not yet been reduced;

(c) whether it is a fact that due to joint activities of Government and the BICP bureaucrats, the producers are looting the common man; and

(d) what action has been taken against those persons who were responsible for holding the fixation of prices based on the reduction of bulk drug prices?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN): (a) The name of bulk drugs, the prices of which were reduced during 1990-91 and 1991-92 with the previous price and revised prices have been given in the statement. (*See* below).

(b) The matter is being looked into.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Statement

Name of the Bulk Drug	Unit	Previous price(Rs.)	Revised price(Rs.)	Reduced (with effect from)
Acetazolamide	Kg.	746.00	735.64	14-4-1990
Mebhydroline Naphadisylate	Kg.	1132.18	1010.00	9-8-1990
Salbutamol Sulphate	gms.	16 02	7.20	15-10-1990
Oxytetracycline Hcl.	Kg.	822.00	750.00	19-10-1990
Phentoin Sodium	Kg.	261 06	236 00	23-1-1991
Metronidazole	Kg.	482.00	428.00	1-2-1991
Metronidazole Benzoate	Kg.	511.00	380.00	1-2-1991
Ibuprofen	Kg.	502.00	450 00	1-2-1991
Amoxycillin Trihydrate	Kg.	2660.00	2093 00	11-2-1991
Analgin	Kg.	280.00	251 00	26-2-1991
Sulphacetamide	Kg.	352.00	350 30	7-3-1991
Sulphamethoxazole	Kg.	390 00	340.00	7-3-1991
Methyldopa	Kg.	2148 00	1967 00	7-3-1991
Isoxuprin Hcl.	Kg.	9997.00	6401 00	7-3-1991
Sulphamoxole	Kg.	430 00	399 00	3-6-1991
Sifampicin	Kg.	5201.00	4946.00	24-1-1992